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The Ozaukee Corvette Club meets the 3rd Sunday of the month!

June started off great with our annual "Leon's" Trip Around the Lake on June 5th. The weather could have been better, but still a fantastic turn out!!!



Grafton Lions Chicken Roast June 12th

Thirteen cars made it out! Chicken was great!



Father's Day Ice Cream Run

Mark and Jan put together a nice drive up to Kelley Country Creamery in FDL.



OCC Cruise to the National Corvette Museum June 24th – 26th

Five couples made the cruise down to Bowling Green, KY to visit the NCM. After touring the museum a few of us headed over to the new NCM Motorsports Park for some "parade laps". The smiles on the driver's faces made it well worth the cost to do so! As a word of caution, be on the lookout for shenanigans when traveling with Carie and Karen! (See any traveler on this trip for explanation!) A big thank you goes out to Trent Schanen for leading the way down.



Ozaukee Corvette Club Meeting Minutes – June 19th, 2016

President Jeff Myers called the meeting to order on 6/19/16 at 5:59 pm.

Board Members present included:

President Jeff Myers

Vice President Ron Giese

Treasurer Sue Giese

Secretary Carie Drennen

Director Jim Baker

Board Members not present:

Director Pat Murray

Director Gregg Goetz

Secretary's Report: Carie Drennen read the May 2016 meeting minutes. Kathie Bruhn motioned to accept the notes as read and this was seconded by Kathy Huck.

Treasurer's Report: Sue Giese reported the treasurer's report including the balance in the account with one check being written to the Ronald McDonald House, however, this is being held pending a date which will be decided upon for the car show. The Grafton Buy-A-Brick check was written, a check for the Cedarburg parade, one to Recognition Specialists, and one to Ron Giese for the grabbers for the AAH clean-up crew. There was one deposit made from the new members who have joined the club. Sue inquired as to the E-check which Jeff discussed for the State. Jeff stated the E-check had the wrong routing number on it, so he wrote a check for this. Sue requested a receipt from Thom Brown for the Cedarburg parade payment and she also requested the paperwork from Jeff for the Dept. of Agriculture.

Jim Baker stated he did an audit of the treasurer's books dating back to 2014 and no errors were found; the books looked to have been handled very well.

Dana Drennen motioned to accept the treasurer's report as read and this was seconded by Judi Krafcheck.

Advertising: Gene Krull was not present for the meeting so no advertising report was available.

Newsletter: Kathie stated nine newsletters were mailed out.

Activity Coordinator Report: Jeff informed the members present that we are going to do away with this position as it just is not working out. Please send an e-mail to Carie Drennen if there is anything you need sent out to the entire club and she will be sure to get this done.

Membership: We currently have 86 members.

Vice President Report: The roster had been updated, however, we have since had a couple of new members since that time who are not currently on the roster.

Ron Giese suggested that Dana Drennen should be recognized for updating our monthly newsletter. Jim Baker motioned for Dana's title to be Newsletter Editor and Kathie Bruhn seconded this motion. Ron also suggested that Dana's picture be placed in the newsletter as the Newsletter Editor.

Ron did purchase the grabbers for the AAH crew.

The Lions Chicken Roast had a very nice turnout and the food was very good.

Adventure in the Dells had 250 cars with 2 cars from our club participating.

Old Business: The Ronald McDonald House came under discussion regarding an upcoming date. Thom Brown is currently working on this with the administration.

Parades: The Memorial Day Parade in West Bend turned out good. There were 19 people with 14 cars participating.

The Thiensville Parade is on June 25th, meeting at the Calvary Church.

July 4th are the Cedarburg and Brown Deer Parades with a pre-parade driver meeting for Brown Deer.

The Port Washington Fish Day Parade is July 16th and we can earn \$10 per car up to \$200 for participation in this event.

Gary Krafcheck encouraged participation in the parades. Please remember, there is no candy to be thrown from the cars.

New Business: There is a National Corvette Museum cruise on 6/24 with six couples attending this event.

Jan Hobler has inquired regarding obtaining a certain color shirt to be worn for club events with our logo on them. Jan will be checking into obtaining information and pricing regarding this and getting back to us with on this subject.

The Car Craft is 7/14 and 7/15 with only three members being signed up at this time.

Mark Hobler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:22 pm and this was seconded by Kathie Bruhn.



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June 2016 Tech Tip – An interesting observation...

The 2014 Premiere Edition Corvette was one of my favorites. OK, so what, no big deal. You can't get one any longer. Well, that is a true statement, but one can still dream. I believe what drew me to the Premiere Edition was the fact that there were absolutely no options- everything they could put on those Corvettes was standard equipment including everything available in the Genuine Corvette Accessory catalog. Even though they had a fairly steep window sticker of \$75,000 for the Coupe and \$80,000 for the convertible, you were getting at least \$3,500 in accessories and options at no charge! These were maximum option 3LT/ Z-51 Corvettes with a little price break thrown in. Of course, this was a Corvette for the person that literally wanted everything possible put on their cars. Another little benefit to ordering a 3LT Corvette, you can select the exclusive Brownstone Leather interior. There is also a unique 3LT option if you like black interiors. For \$395 you can get red or yellow French Seam stitching on your 3LT level black interior. All this is very nice, but what is the "interesting observation"? (Continued next page)

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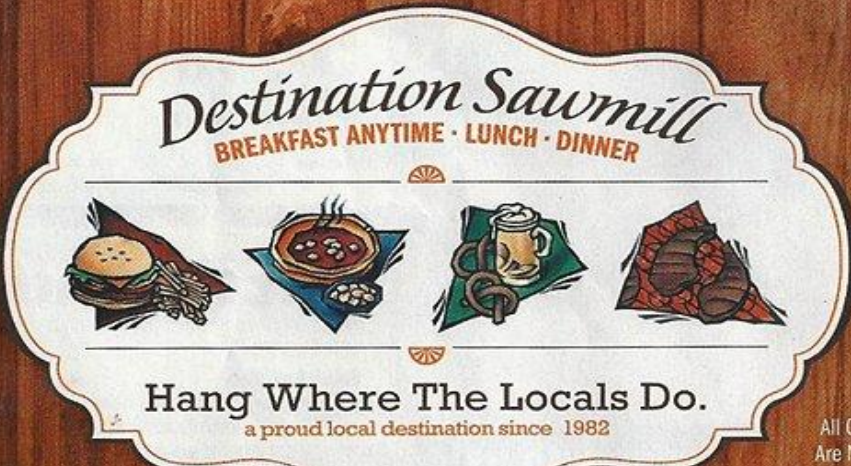
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The 3LT is the highest level of the 3 option groups, and the Z-51 is a suspension, engine, and handling package that adds larger diameter wheels, dry sump engine, electronic limited slip, lots of different coolers, and higher gearing. On paper, a Z-51 is \$5,000 more, and that scares a few folks away from ordering a Z-51.

I decided to go to the online Chevrolet website and build out a 2016 Corvette equipped like the Premiere Edition convertible in Long Beach Red instead of Lime Rock Green. You can duplicate this process with your favorite color interior and exterior and see a similar result. I specified a 3LT/ Z-51 Convertible, Long Beach Red, Brownstone interior, body color vents, Destination charge (built in base price online), Chrome Torque Wheels (accessory), standard painted wheels, Magnetic Select ride, N-10 Exhaust, 8 speed auto trans, Navigation, carbon fiber dash, under hood liner, Corvette Luggage, Indoor cover, outdoor cover, embroidered floor mats, front & rear black molded splash guards, & custom doorsill plates. This all came up to \$89,080 - definitely a big price tag. So I decided to option out a non-Z51 model thinking I would save at least \$5,000. (Continued next page)

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There were a few interesting surprises when one does a side by side comparison. As I wrote earlier the 3LT/ Z-51 convertible is exactly \$5,000 more than the 3LT convertible (\$75,145 vs. \$70,145.) One would think that would hold consistent through the entire pricing of both these models. However, that is not the case. There are 3 major options with a sizeable price difference. Here is a comparison...

3LT/ Z-51 convertible base price	\$75,140.	3LT convertible base price	\$70,140.
Chrome Torque Wheels	\$4440.	Chrome Torque Wheels	\$6,080.
Magnetic Select Ride	\$1795.	Magnetic Select Ride	\$3,495.
N-10 Exhaust- standard equipment	-\$0-	N-10 Exhaust	\$1,195.
Total	\$84,095		\$83,630.

The price difference of those 3 major options brings the price of both models within \$465 of each other. Now the Z-51 is costing you \$465. For that \$465 you get a few very notable and expensive equipment upgrades-

- *Electronic limited slip differential (ELSD)
- *Performance gearing 2.73 vs. 2.41
- *brake caliper, trans, & rear end cooling ducts
- *Larger H.D. Radiator
- * transmission & differential coolers
- * LT1 engine with dry sump oil system

So the tech tip here is, if you are going to order a loaded Corvette, always get the Z-51 whether it is a 1LT, 2LT, or 3LT. The \$465 price difference is a small price to pay for the upgrade in equipment. Another important reason is the difference at trade-in time. The Z-51 optioned Corvette will bring a lot more than the \$465 initially paid. (Continued next page)



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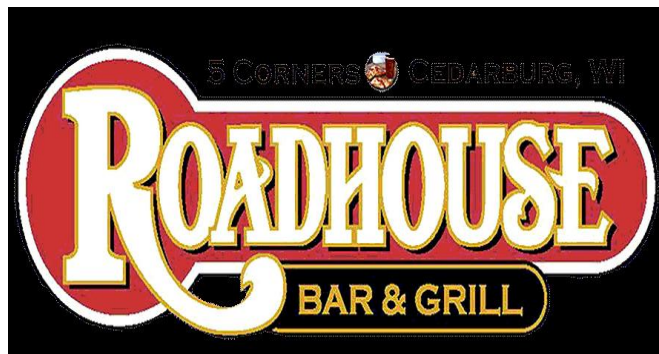
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Getting back to the rest of the 2016 Corvette, all the other options are priced the same on the Z-51 vs. non-Z51- Auto trans, carbon fiber dash, tint coat color, luggage, mats, and covers...all the same money. I wanted to make you aware of this little hidden fact in Corvette pricing in case you were considering purchasing a new C-7, because many of us would logically assume that the \$5,000 price would carry through to the bottom line of the window sticker- that is not the case.

Save the wave, and a few bucks

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Upcoming Calendar Events

(See web site calendar for latest information)
Every Wednesday mid-May-through September at 5:30PM Wayne's Drive-In, Corvette Night.

July 2nd - Grilling in Grafton Car Show - Meet at Centennial Park in Grafton at 10:45AM to 11AM. Greg will lead you in to park your car.

July 4th - Cedarburg Parade. Meet at Wayne's Drive-In at 8:30AM leave at 8:45AM. - Brown Deer Parade to follow, meet at 5757 W Dean Rd (area B) by 12:45 PM bring sack lunch!

July 9th - Post's Breakfast Cruise to Log Cabin Restaurant in Baraboo, WI. Meet at Culvers (NW corner of US Hwy 45 and 60) 7AM leave at 7:15AM.

July 16th - Port Washington Fish Day Parade - Meet at Sentry Foods parking lot (Hwy43 north, exit 100) at 8:45AM leaving the lot at 9AM. Car show to follow in Upper Lake Park like last year.

July 17th - OCC Meeting at Firehouse Restaurant in Saukville. Dinner at 5PM, Meeting at 6PM.

July 30th - Holland Festival Car Show - 9AM-3PM

Aug 6th - Adopt A Highway - 8:15AM-10AM